



Bureau
of Labor
Statistics

Dallas, Tx 75202



Consumer Price Index Indicators

Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) U.S. City Average, Dallas-Fort Worth, and Houston-Galveston-Brazoria March 2004

(1982-84=100, not seasonally adjusted)

INDEX ITEMS	U.S. City Average:			Dallas-Fort Worth:			Houston-Galveston:		
	Index	Percent change:		Index	Percent change:		Index	Percent change:	
		12-Month	1-Month		12-Month	2-Month		12-Month	1-Month
All Items	187.4	1.7	0.6	177.7	0.5	1.1			
Food and beverages	184.9	3.2	0.2	184.7	4.1	0.4			
Food	184.4	3.2	0.2	181.0	4.0	0.3			
Food at home	184.3	3.7	0.2	166.3	3.2	0.4	178.1	4.9	0.0
Food away from home	185.8	2.7	0.2	204.3	5.0	0.2			
Alcoholic beverages	190.8	2.3	0.5	235.0	7.0	2.1			
Housing	187.9	2.0	0.5	162.9	-1.5	-0.2			
Shelter	217.8	2.7	0.8	174.9	-1.2	0.4	183.7	6.4	0.7
Rent of primary residence 1/	209.2	2.5	0.2	170.6	-3.0	-0.2	169.5	2.0	0.2
Owners' equivalent rent 1/ 2/	223.3	2.0	0.2	184.9	-0.5	0.5	164.6	3.7	0.0
Fuels and utilities	155.2	0.5	-1.1	160.5	0.0	-2.7			
Gas (piped) and electricity 1/	143.5	0.0	-1.4	148.5	-2.2	-4.4	126.7	19.0	0.0
Electricity 1/	136.1	1.6	-0.5	147.7	6.1	-0.5	123.7	20.3	0.1
Utility (piped) gas service 1/	169.7	-3.2	-3.0	136.9	-32.0	-21.8	142.5	12.7	0.0
Household furnishings/operation	125.7	-1.1	0.0	128.3	-4.3	-1.0			
Apparel	123.5	-0.1	4.1	138.3	0.4	19.0			
Transportation	160.5	-0.3	1.1	161.8	-1.3	1.1			
Private transportation	156.6	-0.4	1.1	161.8	-1.1	1.0			
Motor Fuel	150.5	1.6	5.2	148.0	0.7	5.9	137.7	-0.9	1.7
Gasoline	149.8	1.6	5.1	147.4	0.9	5.9	137.1	-0.9	1.7
Medical care	307.5	4.5	0.5	284.5	3.9	2.1			
Recreation 3/	108.8	1.3	0.4	117.7	3.0	0.9			
Education and communication 3/	111.1	1.6	-0.1	120.5	1.3	0.3			
Other goods and services	303.1	2.0	0.3	279.6	4.6	0.7			
Special Indexes:									
Energy	143.1	0.4	1.8	149.4	-0.9	0.6	133.8	8.8	0.8
All items less shelter	177.6	1.3	0.5	179.8	1.2	1.5			
All items less food and energy	196.1	1.6	0.6	184.8	-0.1	1.4			
All Items (1967=100)	561.5			557.4					

Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

All Items	182.9	1.4	0.5	177.6	0.6	1.1	
All Items (1967=100)	544.8			547.6			

1/ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

2/ Full series title is "owners' equivalent rent of primary residence"; index base is December 1982=100.

3/ Indexes on a December 1997 = 100 base.

Note 1: Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston-Galveston-Brazoria CPIs are for the Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Areas.

Note 2: The food at home, energy, and shelter sub-component indexes are compiled monthly for Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston. Full surveys, which produce the All Items Indexes and major components, are conducted every two months. These full surveys are published for the odd-numbered months for Dallas and for the even-numbered months for Houston.